

WANTING IS - WHAT ?

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SUMMER REDUNDANT,
BLUENESS ABUNDANT,
—WHERE IS THE BLOT?
BEAMY THE WORLD, YET A BLANK ALL THE SAME,
—FRAMEWORK WHICH WAITS FOR A PICTURE TO FRAME:
WHAT OF THE LEAFAGE, WHAT OF THE FLOWER?
ROSES EMBOWERING WITH NAUGHT THEY EMBOWER!
COME THEN, COMPLETE INCOMPLETION, O COMER,
PANT THROUGH THE BLUENESS, PERFECT THE SUMMER!
BREATHE BUT ONE BREATH
ROSE-BEAUTY ABOVE,
AND ALL THAT WAS DEATH
GROWS LIFE, GROWS LOVE,
GROWS LOVE!

A
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WEEKLY POEM

BY
ROBERT
BROWNING

Robert Browning was an English poet and playwright whose mastery of the dramatic monologue made him one of the foremost Victorian poets. His poems are known for their irony, characterization, dark humour, social commentary, historical settings, and challenging vocabulary and syntax. When Browning died in 1889, he was regarded as a sage and philosopher-poet who through his writing had made contributions to Victorian social and political discourse. Unusually for a poet, societies for the study of his work were founded while he was still alive. Such Browning Societies remained common in Britain and the United States until the early 20th century. (Wikipedia)

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